

PHS class of '45

The Pendleton High School class of 1945 recently held its 70-year reunion. Pictured, front: **Opal Hatley Hilliard, Verla Thompson Tomlinson, Carol Mosier-Elliott, Betty Gordon Weigel, Catherine Fullerton Brown, Dorothy Shafer Kjeldahl, Mary Ann Mitchell Ryder, Donna Perkins, Mary Depew Ramey.** Back: **Jack Kelley, Harvey Foreman, Rudolph Enbysk, Henrey Downing, Pete Keating, Ron Babcock, Merrill McKee, Al Thews.**



The Pendleton High School class of 1945 reunion.

Photo contributed by Jack Kelley



Mac-Hi students perform at festival

Musicians from McLoughlin High School recently participated in the Oregon Music Educators Association District 6 Honor Band and Choir Festival in Hermiston.

The 17 Mac-Hi students joined musicians from other schools for the two-day festival that culminated in a Nov. 10 evening concert.

The honor choir, directed by **William McLean** of South Salem High School, performed "Oh Lord In Thee Have I Trusted" by George Handel, "With a Voice of Singing" by Kenneth Jennings, "Die Warnung" by F. Joseph Handel, "Prayer" by Morten Lauridsen and "Unclouded Day" by Shawn Kirchner.

The honor band, led by **Mark Lane** of Central Washington University, performed "Prairie Dances" by David Holsinger, "Heavens Light" by Steve Reineke, "Ave Maria" by Franz Beibl and "Declaration Overture" by Claude T. Smith.

McLoughlin High School musicians recently participated in the Oregon Music Educators Association District 6 Honor Band and Choir Festival in Hermiston. Front: **Michael Slaughter, Amber Wells, Giselle Flores, Rudy Esparza, Matthew Cunnington, Bianca Saldana-trombone, Teyah Clark.** Second row: **Alicia Lancaster, Tiffany Werhan, Kyle Dygert, Deazon Zerba.** Back: **Brinton Alexander-trumpet, Keaton Smith-tenor sax, Megan Norton-alto sax, Juliana Hagar-baritone, Brendon Smith-clarinet, Sam Miller-trombone.**

Photo contributed by Mike Agidius

Lions plant trees at Pioneer Park

The Pendleton Lions Club recently made a donation to Pendleton Parks & Recreation to replace trees lost to a hard freeze November 2014.

The service club then stepped up to assist in planting the trees. Club members, along with parks department employees, replaced the old trees Nov. 17 along Despain Avenue on the north side of Pioneer Park, said **Donnie Cook**, parks director.

The new trees included Kentucky coffee, sweet

gum, linden, yellowwood and hackberry. They were purchased through **Schichtel's Nursery Oregon.**

The city of Pendleton and the parks department appreciates the generosity and service of the Lions Club, along with **Andy Schichtel**, who provided the trees at a discount.

Beyond creating a more attractive city, recent research shows there are numerous health benefits which can be attributed to trees, Cook said. The entire community, she said, profits from the gift.



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John Taylor, Jon Spilker, Randee Bronson, Michael Palmer, Alan Kendrick, Gib Branstetter and Bill Taylor, representatives of the Pendleton Lions Club, recently donated and replaced trees at Pioneer Park in Pendleton.

Wildhorse Foundation announces third quarter grants

The Wildhorse Foundation recently announced its third quarter grants, which included \$18,165 to Hermiston Fire & Emergency Services.

The department is purchasing mobile reporting hardware to be placed in each ambulance. The devices allow staff to complete patient care reports during transport or shortly after to ensure accurate information is relayed to those giving care to patients.

The system provides precise time documentation when medication or procedures are done. The devices can be linked to cardiac monitors to download relevant patient vital signs and EKG rhythms. They also can readily provide medication information, medical protocols and hazardous material guides for emergency medical technicians.

The quarterly awards totaled \$201,447.33, which was distributed to 29 recipients. Other local entities receiving grants include:

PENDLETON: **Blue Mountain Community**

College athletics department, \$5,000 for soccer equipment for men's and women's program, which begins the fall of 2016; **Community Action Program of East Central Oregon**, \$8,880 for ADA accessibility at its main office; **Cayuse Plateau Horsemanship Center**, \$10,000 to rebuild the tribal public arena; **Guardian Care Center**, \$3,924 for specialized medical exam camera equipment and medical supplies for documenting findings for sexual abuse exams; **Neighbor 2 Neighbor Pendleton**, \$5,000 to continue the operation of Veda's Breakfast, Pendleton Warming Station and the Day Center; **Pendleton Babe Ruth Association**, \$4,095.49 for a sound system at Bob White Field; **Pendleton Chamber of Commerce**, \$3,950 for community holiday lighting; **Pendleton Convention Center**, \$10,000 for upgrading locker rooms; **Umatilla County Special Library District**, \$6,037 for Take Off!, early literacy and outreach program.

UMATILLA/MORROW COUNTY: **SMART (Start Making A Reader Today)**, \$5,360 for pre-kindergarten program; **4-H**, \$1,800 for Attitudes for Success- Multicultural Youth Development Program at 18 high schools and middle schools.

ATHENA: **Weston-McEwen High School**, \$10,000 for track bleachers. **BOARDMAN : Boardman Park & Recreation District**, \$10,000 for Community Recreation Center exercise stations.

PILOT ROCK: **Pilot Rock School District**, \$14,450 for music program.

WESTON: **Weston Middle School**, \$3,780 for 1:1 iPad Program.

OTHER AREAS: Children's Museum of Walla Walla, Confluence Project, Eastern Oregon University continuing education, Elgin Health Care District, Fort Walla Walla Museum, Greenwood Elementary School, La Grande High School, Libraries of Eastern Oregon, Soldiers' Angels, Union Family Dental Clinic, Union School District,

Wallowa County Justice Center, YMCA.

The foundation manages a community benefit fund established by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation from its gaming operation. The board considers quarterly grant applications in the areas of public health and safety, education, the arts, historic preservation, gambling addiction services, salmon restoration, environmental protection and cultural activities.

For more information, visit www.wildhorseresort.com or contact **Tiah DeGroff** at 541-966-1628 or tiah.degroff@wildhorseresort.com.

ANNIVERSARY

Steven and Linda Meier

Steven and Linda Meier will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary Dec. 14, 2015. The Meiers were married Dec. 14, 1975, in Weston, Oregon, at the Church of the Brethren. They have lived in their Milton-Freewater home since 1976.



Steven and Linda Meier

The Meiers met while working at Lamb Weston/ConAgra Foods in Weston, Oregon. Steven and Linda are both retired and enjoy gardening and volunteer work. Steven was in the Air Force from 1968-1972 and enjoys sports, while Linda is enjoying her garden club in Milton-Freewater.

A trip is being planned for the spring in celebration

of their many years together. They have one daughter, Valerie Scott of Milton Freewater, and three granddaughters: Kasey Keithley and husband Sloan Keithley of Umatilla, Kelsi Cleveland of Spokane, Washington, and Kaylee Scott of Milton-Freewater.



THANK YOU

Education foundation thanks community

The Education Foundation of Pendleton wishes to thank the Pendleton community for helping us raise over \$15,000 at our first-ever fundraising event, Grillin' for Grants.

Thanks go out to sponsors, donors, Pendleton School District 16R administration and staff, and the community for their support of our dinner and auction.

We enjoyed an evening at Pendleton Early Learning Center on Oct. 17, raising awareness and funding for our organization to further support curriculum enrichment grants for Pendleton students.

Special thanks go to our sponsors — **BBT Architects, CHI St. Anthony Hospital, Gordon's Electric, Les Schwab Tires, UCo Health, Wenaha Group, Dr. Andrew Bower, Jim and Karen Kullnat, Kelly Lumber Supply, Pediatric Specialists of Pendleton, Wheatland Insurance Center, Capps Broadcast Group and East Oregonian** — for making this event possible.

Please visit our website at www.educationfoundationofpendleton.org to learn more about the Education Foundation of Pendleton and how to get involved. You will also see the wide variety of experiences that we have helped teachers make possible for our youth.

Karen Kullnat, president
Education Foundation of Pendleton

St. Mary's Outreach thanks donors

St. Mary's Outreach, Inc. would like to recognize and thank the following organizations for grants received this year in fulfilling our goal of providing food to those in need: **United Way of Umatilla County, Wildhorse Foundation, Pacific Power Foundation, National Association of Finance & Insurance Advisers and the Emergency Food & Shelter Program.**

In addition, many thanks go to all the various food drives done by local clubs and organizations and to those individuals who give from their gardens and those who supply eggs. Also, **Safeway** and **Franz** for daily bread supply, **Smith Frozen Foods, Inc.** for cases of frozen food each month and to **Wal-Mart, Safeway and Grocery Outlet for the Fresh Alliance** produce provided weekly. To those who give a monetary donation and to those who donate household goods and clothing, we thank you, too.

With your help, we have been able to reach our goal of helping those in need of assistance. St. Mary's Outreach is open Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30-4 p.m. We are 100 percent volunteer and if you would like to volunteer or to find out more information, please call 541-966-1017.

Mary Jane Peterson
St. Mary's Outreach, Inc.

SUBMIT YOUR EO NEWS

Submit Your EO News information and high-resolution photos to: community@eastoregonian.com or drop off to the attention of **Tammy Malgesini** at 333 E. Main St., Hermiston, or **Renee Struthers-Hogge** at 211 S.E. Byers Ave., Pendleton. Call 541-564-4539 or 541-966-0818 with questions.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

NOV. 17, 2015
BARAJAS — Marta Barajas and Heliodoro Barajas of Boardman; a boy, Julian Emmanuel Barajas.

NOV. 19, 2015
WAGONER — Jessica M. Emanuel and Zackary L. Wagoner of Pendleton; a boy, Justin Lyle Wagoner.

NOV. 21, 2015
OLGUIN — Kendal H. M. Isbell and Jonathan Olguin; a girl, Olive Skylar May Olguin.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

NOV. 17, 2015
GARCIA — Tesia Hunsucker and Manuel Garcia of Irrigon; a boy, Eugene Telesforo Garcia.

NOV. 20, 2015
WARRICK — Mikayla L.

Sparks and Austin J. Warrick of Irrigon; a boy, Phoenix Rice Warrick.

NOV. 22, 2015
JONES — Stephanie Jones and Andy Jones of Hermiston; a girl, Emma Elizabeth Jones.

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Pet of the Week



Tuffy
2 Yr Old, Neutered Pitbull Mix, Approximately 60 lbs.

Tuffy is a friendly young man who loves people and attention. He is missing his left rear leg from an amputation when he was younger. But it definitely doesn't slow him down! Because of this, though, he will need some special care and his loving, forever family needs to be patient with him and make sure he gets the extra care that he so deserves. Tuffy is good on a leash and gets along well with other dogs - cats are an unknown. If you are that loving, caring family that wants to give Tuffy his forever home, come on down to PAWS and get acquainted.

Visit Tuffy at the **Pioneer Humane Society/PAWS**
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